

OPERATOR

(Promotional Class)

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES

This is responsible and skilled firefighting work involving the operation of mechanical apparatus and equipment in the protection of life and property through the extinguishing of fires.

Work involves responsibility for the protection of life and property, prevention of fire hazards, and general duties related to the care and use of departmental equipment and property on an assigned duty tour. Employees of this class are responsible for driving assigned fire apparatus to and from the scene of fires and emergencies and for operating pumps and other mechanical equipment as required. Work usually is performed under the direction of a superior officer and is reviewed by observation.

This class ranks immediately below that of Lieutenant.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

Illustrative only. Any one position of this class may not include all duties listed, nor do listed examples include all duties which may be found in positions of this class.

Drives assigned piece of firefighting apparatus to and from fires and operates its pumps and other mechanical equipment as required; ascertains that tools and equipment are on apparatus.

Cleans and services the assigned apparatus and maintains it in a condition of readiness; reports mechanical failures or difficulties to a superior; may assist departmental mechanic in making minor apparatus repairs.

Performs general firefighting duties as assigned and participates in company inspections.

Performs assigned housekeeping duties at a fire station in keeping sleeping and living quarters and station clean.

Attends fire training sessions to receive instruction in all aspects of firefighting.

Lay and connect hose lines.

Participates in fire drills and learn and practice new methods.

Stand telephone and station watch as required.

Performs related work as required.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO ELIGIBILITY TEST AND FOR BEGINNING WORK IN CLASS

Unless otherwise specified, all requirements listed below must be met by the filing deadline for application for admission to the test.

Must have not less than one (1) year of firefighting experience; must be a regular and permanent employee in the class of Firefighter for a period of not less than one (1) year. The employee must have passed and received a certificate of Firefighter II in accordance to NFPA 1001 guidelines.

After offer of promotion, but before beginning work in this class, must pass a medical examination required by the Appointing Authority, designed to demonstrate good health and physical fitness sufficient to perform the essential duties of the position, with or without accommodation.

Must successfully pass any examination, either oral or written, that the civil service board may approve. Prior to confirmation, the employee must have passed and received a certificate of Fire Department Vehicle/Driver Operator in accordance to NFPA 1002 guidelines.

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